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gentlemen were declared to be duly elected members of the Society:—

HENRY COPPEE, of Philadelphia.

GEORGE ALLEN, do.

STRICKLAND KNEASS, do.

HENRY WILLIAM FIELD, of London.

JOHN P. BROWN, of Constantinople.

GEORGE AUGUSTUS MATILE, of Philadelphia.

THOMAS L. KANE, do.

WILLIAM B. REED, do.

CLEMENT A. FINLEY, do.

ALBERT S. LETCHWORTH, do.

## Stated Meeting, February 1.

Present, thirteen members.

Dr. Dunglison, Vice-President, in the Chair.

Mr. Strickland Kneass, Prof. Henry Coppée, Dr. C. A. Finley and Mr. Thomas L. Kane, recently elected members, were introduced and took their seats.

Letters were read from Prof. Henry Coppée, William B. Reed, and Prof. G. A. Matile, dated Philadelphia, January 21, 1856; from Thomas L. Kane and Dr. C. A. Finley, dated Philadelphia, January 22, 1856; from Prof. George Allen, dated Philadelphia, January 26, 1856; from Strickland Kneass and from Albert S. Letchworth, dated Philadelphia, January 26, 1856,—respectively acknowledging the receipt of notice of their election as members of the Society:—

From the Society of Antiquaries, dated Somerset House, London, Nov. 20, 1855; and from the Linnean Society, dated London, Nov. 9, 1855, both returning thanks for Nos. 51, 52 of the Proceedings of the Society:—

From the Historical Society of Pennsylvania, dated Philadelphia, January 25, 1856, acknowledging the receipt of No. 54 of the Proceedings: and—

From the Bath and West of England Society, dated Bath,

October 23, 1855, announcing a donation for the library, and returning thanks for Transactions and Proceedings of the Society.

The following donations were announced:-

## FOR THE LIBRARY.

- Philosophical Transactions of the Royal Society of London, for the year 1855. Vol. 145. Part 1. London. 4to.
- Proceedings of the Royal Society of London. Vol. VII. Nos. 14, 15. June, 1855. London. 8vo.
- Supplement to the Practical Rules for ascertaining the Deviations of the Compass which are caused by the Ship's Iron, &c. By Archibald Smith, Esq. M.A. &c. London, 1855. 8vo.—From the Royal Society.
- Transactions of the Linnean Society of London. Vol. XXI. Part 4. 1855. 4to.
- Proceedings of the Linnean Society, June 20, 1854, to June 19, 1855; with List of Members for 1855.—Address of Thomas Bell, Esq. V. P. R. S. &c. the President, together with Obituary Notices of Deceased Members, by John J. Bennett, Esq. F.R.S. the Secretary,—read at the Anniversary Meeting of the Linnean Society, May 24, 1855. London. 8vo.—From the Society.
- Transactions of the Zoological Society of London. Vol. IV. Parts 2, 3. London. 4to.
- Proceedings of the Zoological Society. Parts 18-22, 1850-1854:—Part 23, Jan. 9 to June 12, 1855. London. 8vo.—From the Society.
- Journal of the Royal Asiatic Society of Great Britain and Ireland. Vol. XIII. Part 2, 1852:—Vol. XV. Part 2, 1855. London. 8vo.
- Three Maps relating to Assyria and its Antiquities. By Felix Jones, Com. Indian Navy and Surveyor in Mesopotamia. Baghdad, July, 1852.—From the Society.
- Address at the Anniversary Meeting of the Royal Geographical Society, 28th May, 1855. By the Right Hon. the Earl of Ellesmere, K. G. D. C. L. &c. President. London, 1855. 8vo.—From the Society.
- Notices of the Meetings of the Members of the Royal Institution of Great Britain. Part V. Nov. 1854-July, 1855. London. 8vo.— From the Institution.

- Report of the Twenty-fourth Meeting of the British Association for the Advancement of Science,—held at Liverpool, Sept. 1854. London, 1855. 8vo.—From the Association.
- Transactions of the Royal Irish Academy. Vol. XXII. Part 6. 1855.
  4to.
- Proceedings of the Royal Irish Academy. Vol. VI. Part 2, 1854-5. Dublin. 8vo.—From the Academy.
- Journal of the Bath and West of England Society for the Encouragement of Agriculture, Arts, Manufactures and Commerce. New Series. Vols. 1, 2, 3. 1853-4-5. London. Syo.—From the Society.
- Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society. Vol. XVI. No. 2. Dec. 14, 1855. London. 8vo.—From the Society.
- Flora Batava, of Afbeelding en Beschrijving van Nederlandsche Gewassen. Aflevering 177. Amsterdam. 4to.—From the King of Holland.
- Journal of the Franklin Institute. Third Series. Vol. XXXI. No. 1. Jan. 1856. Philadelphia. 8vo.—From the Institute.
- Proceedings of the Academy of Natural Sciences of Philadelphia. Vol. VII. No. 12. Nov. Dec. 1855. Philadelphia. 8vo.—From the Academy.
- Theory of the Winds. By Capt. Charles Wilkes, U. S. N.—Read before the American Scientific Association, at Providence, Aug. 20, 1855. Accompanied by a Map of the World, showing the extent and direction of the Winds. To which is added Sailing Directions for a Voyage around the World: by the same Author. Philadelphia, 1855. 8vo.—From the Author.
- Dr. Le Conte presented a communication entitled "Revision of the Cicindelæ of the United States," which was referred to a committee consisting of Prof. Haldeman, Dr. Bridges and Mr. Peale.
- Dr. Kane exhibited a number of sketches illustrative of the ice-growth in the Arctic regions, and described the manner of its accumulation in the great ice-belt of the high northern latitudes,—explaining the difference between this and the ordinary shore-ice of other formations.
- Mr. Trego, reporter of the Society, laid upon the table No. 54 of the Proceedings, recently published.